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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1895.

TELEGRAMS.

A CONUNDRUM.

LONDON, January 9th.
M. Roussieu goes as Minister to Tongkin.
[What Roussieu probably means is that M. Roussieu will succeed M. de Lanesman, as Governor-General of Indo-China. And this interesting fact was what from Paris on December 30th. M. Roussieu was a one time Under Secretary for the Marine and Colonies.—Ed., H.K. Telegraph.]

GERMAN BENEVOLENCE.

The German Red Cross Society has voted a sum of four hundred pounds sterling for the use of the Red Cross Society of Japan.

THE PORT ARTHUR ATROCITIES.

The Times correspondent describes the four days' horrible butchery of unarmed Chinese, attended with nameless atrocities. Groups of prisoners tied together were strangled with bullets, and afterward hacked to pieces.
The Times, in a leading article, admits the Japanese had no mercy in the mutilation of a few of their countrymen, but the disgrace of cold-blooded butcheries rests with the Japanese Army; adding that the General who failed to arrest the merciless slaughter has cast an indelible blot upon the Japanese Arms.

[We felt confident that Cowen, the Times correspondent alluded to—and who is likewise Comic Spectator to the China Mail—would quickly extinguish himself when allowed rope enough. And he has effectively done so—the blatant jacks!—Ed., H.K. Telegraph.]

LATE TELEGRAMS.

THE LIBERALS AND THE LABOUR PARTY.
LONDON, December 14th.
Lord Rosebery, speaking at West Ham, urged the necessity of concord between the Liberals and the Labour Party and taking common action in questions relating to the working classes. His lordship said that at the present juncture the points of difference between the two parties on other subjects should be reserved.

INDIA AND NYASSA AND.

December 15th.
Mr. H. H. Johnston, C.B., Imperial Commissioner of Nyassaland, will visit India in connection with his idea of promoting the emigration and settlement of Indian traders and agriculturists in Nyassaland. Mr. Johnston will probably arrive next January.

THE REICHSSTAG.

BERLIN, December 15th.
The Reichstag to-day adopted a resolution to strengthen the disciplinary powers of the President.

THE DUFFER STATE COMMISSION.

RANGOON, December 16th.
Mr. Waddy, adviser to the Chinese Government, is en route to meet Mr. Scott, who reached Kengtung on the 30th ultimo, and is travelling for Hongkong where the party were to meet on December 2nd. The escort consists of 123 rank and file 1st Burma Rifles, one Gurkha Company, and three native officers. The whole are commanded by Captain G. N. Caulfield. The work of the Mission begins from Kengtung, and the settlement of the limits of the intermediary zone will occupy about one month. A great deal of survey work is expected to be done by the party who belong to the Survey of India Department. The trigonometrical points already fixed will be verified. Surgeon-Major Lloyd is in medical charge of the Mission.

COTTON DUTIES IN INDIA.

CALCUTTA, December 17th.
A Bill was introduced imposing a duty of five per cent. on cotton imports, and an equivalent export duty will be levied on such Indian manufactures as come into direct competition with the imported article. Cottons of yarns of higher than twenty shillings a pound being taken as exempt up to 24 shillings.

LONDON, December 17th.
The Times leading article declares that the Bill is a measure of justice to India, the duty being demanded by the general voice of that country.

WASHINGTON, December 18th.

The House of Representatives has commenced a debate on the Bill presented by Mr. Carlisle, the Secretary for the Treasury, for reforming the Currency and Banking Laws.

THE EGYPTIAN BUDGET.

CAIRO, December 19th.
The Budget report of the Egyptian Legislative Council states that the condition of the fallahs is desperate, owing to over taxation. It urges the diminution of the staff of European officials and the employment of the surplus revenue for the benefit of the fallahs.

LONDON, December 19th.

At a meeting of the Manufacturers and Operatives' Society, Manchester, a resolution was passed, which was afterwards wired to Mr. Fowler, Secretary of State for India, protesting strongly against the imposition of cotton duties in India for which a countervailing excise duty was not equivalent.

The Times financial article, referring to the statements of the Chairman at the meeting of the Bombay-Barrada Railway, says that it seems incredible view of the favorable results shown, that investors are so diffident in investing in new lines in India and suggests that English Chambers of Commerce should publish concisely facts showing that a large percentage is payable on many Indian Railways.

PARIS, December 20th.

The scandals connected with blackmailing clubs by French journalists are extending investigations reveal further ramifications of evil, and more journalists are being implicated.

LAUNCH OF THE "MAGNIFICENT."

LONDON, December 20th.
The barquette battleship *Magnificent* was floated to-day. The ceremony of the launching is a specially notable feat, the huge vessel having been constructed within the current year.

RUSSIAN COTTON DUTY.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 20th.
The Russian Government has sanctioned an increase in the import duty on cotton.

LONDON, December 20th.

The death is announced of Sir Edmund Lechmere, Conservative member for Evesham.
December 21st.
Major Owen and Captain Macdonald have been authorized to wear the decoration of the Star of Zambhar for services at Yaucoi; also Lieutenant Arthur for services while commanding the Zambhar troops on active service.

Admiral Belford has been appointed C.B. and Captain Campbell of the cruiser *Phaeton*, and Captain Powell of the cruiser *Phaeton*, have been appointed C.B.'s, with other naval rewards for services connected with the operations against the Chet Nana, on the West Coast of Africa.

New York, December 21st.
Much anxiety is being felt in financial circles owing to a recommendation of a drain in American gold to Europe, notwithstanding the steps taken to strengthen the reserve. A heavy export is again depleting the stock of gold in the United States Treasury.

CAIRO, December 21st.
The Budget report of the Egyptian Legislative Council demands that ten million pounds should be set aside for reduction of the land tax and protests against the presence of the British Army of Occupation.

BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, December 21st.
The Times, referring to the state of affairs in British East Africa, reports the delay which is taking place in settling the claims of the British East Africa Company which, it says, should not be treated grudgingly, but under any circumstances the British Government should build forthwith a railway connecting the coast with Uganda.

THE ENGLISH CRICKETERS IN AUSTRALIA.

SYDNEY, December 21st.
The first of the cricket matches between Mr. Stoddard's team and All Australia was concluded yesterday. The attendance and enthusiasm were great, and a sensational struggle resulted in the victory of Mr. Stoddard's eleven by ten runs. All Australia won the toss, and in their first innings put together 586 runs, Mr. Stoddard's team, comprising 325, which necessitated a follow on. In the second attempt the English team completed 437 runs. The Australians then went in, but were only able to obtain 166, amidst the greatest excitement of the enormous crowd of spectators, leaving the English team winners by only ten runs. The match lasted six days.

AMOY RACES.

(By Telegram)

Stewards:—T. M. Boyd, Esq., R. H. Bruce, Esq., J. W. Carrall, Esq., F. Case, Esq., Dr. McDougall, W. S. Orr, Esq., Asg. Piel, Esq., H. P. White, Esq.

SECOND DAY.—TUESDAY, 8TH JANUARY, 1895.

COMPROMISES CUP; presented; value \$100; and pony \$25; for Amoy Subscription Griffin of this season; winner of one race 7 lbs. extra, of two or more to 10 lbs. extra; previous non-winners 7 lbs. extra; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. Seven furlongs.

Mr. Trol's Carabineer, 11st 11lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 1
Mr. Bruce's Bumblebees, 11st 5lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 2
Mr. McThorn's Rover, 10st 12lb 3
Time, 2 min. 2.5 sec.

CHALLENGER CUP; value \$250; a forced entry for all Amoy and Formosa owned ponies, optional to Subscription Griffin of this season; half entrance fees to the winner, until the Cup is finally won, when the second pony shall receive the half entrance fees; to be won two consecutive meetings, by a pony or ponies, the 60th day property of the same owner of owners; weights as per scale; entrance \$10. One mile.

Mr. Dryadus's gr. Cobweb, 11st 8lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 1
Mr. MacArthur's Stoddard, 10st 12lb 2
Mr. Barney's Trenchard, 10st 12lb 3
Time, 4 min. 40.35 sec.

CHAASSE CUP; presented; value \$100; second pony \$25; for Amoy Subscription Griffin of this season; winner of one race 7 lbs. extra; previous non-winners 7 lbs. extra; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. Four miles and a quarter.

Mr. McThorn's Wanderer, 10st 12lb 1
Mr. Ernest's Tug, 11st 12lb 2
Mr. Willie's Pyralis, 10st 12lb 3
Time, 2 min. 32.55 sec.

EXCHANGE PLATE (presented); value \$125; and pony \$25; for all China ponies; subscription Griffin of this season allowed 5 lbs. winners at this meeting 5 lbs. extra for each race won; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Dryadus's gr. Hard Times, 11st 6lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 1
Mr. Barney's Sassa, 11st 12lb 2
Mr. Hope's gr. Democrat, 10st 12lb 3
Time, 1 min. 37.55 sec.

THE GERMAN CUP (presented); and pony to receive half the entrance fees; for all China ponies; first second as Griffin at Amoy; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. One mile.

Mr. Thomas's Tug, 11st 12lb 1
Mr. Dobbins's Common, 11st 12lb 2
Time, 2 min. 16.15 sec.

THE MAO-CHUN PLATE (presented); value \$100; and pony to receive half the entrance fees; for all Amoy owned ponies; Griffin at day of entry allowed 5 lbs; winner of a race at this meeting of 12 miles or over, 5 lbs. extra; if of two such races 7 lbs. extra; weights as per scale; entrance \$10. One mile and a half.

Mr. August's gr. Aristocrat, 11st 11lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 1
Mr. Boyd's gr. Dunblane, 11st 6lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 2
Captain Hope's gr. Fleety, 11st 6lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 3
Time, 3 min. 33 sec.

COAST CUP, presented; value \$100; and pony \$25; for Amoy subscription Griffin of this season; winner of one race 7 lbs. extra; previous non-winners 7 lbs. extra; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. Once round and a distance.

Mr. McThorn's Rover, 10st 12lb 1
Mr. Bruce's Bumblebees, 11st 5lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 2
Mr. Trol's Carabineer, 11st 11lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 3
Time, 1 min. 27.35 sec.

THIRD DAY.—WEDNESDAY, 9TH JANUARY, 1895.

LEADER CUP (presented); value \$150; and pony \$25; for all China ponies; winner at this meeting of one race 5 lbs. extra; if of two or more races 7 lbs. extra; weights as per scale. Entrance \$5. One mile.

Mr. Dryadus's gr. Dandy, 11st (incl. 7lb ex.) 1
Mr. August's Aristocrat, 11st 6lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 2
A dead heat. Time, 2 min. 14 sec.

FORMOSA CUP (presented); value \$100; and pony \$25; for Amoy subscription Griffin of this season; winner of one race 7 lbs. extra; previous non-winners 7 lbs. extra; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Thomas's Tug, 11st 12lb 1
Mr. Boyd's Dunblane, 11st 6lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 2
Time, 2 min. 16.15 sec.

Mr. Bruce's b. Dandy, 10st 12lb 3
Time, 2 min. 50.45 sec.

LADIES' PURSE, presented; for all China ponies; to be ridden by residents of Amoy, Foochow or Formosa; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. Once round and a distance.

Mr. Dryadus's gr. Hard Times, 11st 6lb (incl. 7lb ex.) 1
Mr. Barney's Sassa, 11st 12lb 2
Mr. McThorn's Rover, 10st 12lb 3
Time, 1 min. 22.55 sec.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A DRESS SUIT—the tailor going to law for his hard earned shillings.

One hundred missionaries were sent to China by the Swedish Lutheran Church in 1893.

The Oratorio season opens at the Theatre Royal at 9 p.m. We shall "know what it is to be there."

The Tammany tiger and the Chinese dragon, says the Washington Star, should get together and sympathize.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamship *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 6th instant for this port.

D'ARCY'S MARIONETTES are still drawing big houses, and to-night the Bijou Theatre will no doubt be crammed, owing to the fresh attractions billed by the enterprising management.

The Pope has authorized the Patriarch to maintain a resident Bishop in Rome to assist in the plans to develop the Catholic clergy in the Orient and prepare for a union of the churches.

At the Magistracy this morning Mr. Hastings held an inquiry in connection with the fire that occurred at No. 210, Queen's Road Central, on the 8th instant, and found that it was occasioned by the explosion of a kerosene oil lamp.

The report from Tientsin dated the 3rd inst. that General Nieh's army had inflicted a severe defeat upon the Japanese First Army Corps at Motien has been confirmed from sources that are usually both reliable and well informed.

His Excellency Quang Tche Tschong, the special envoy despatched by the Chinese Government to congratulate the Emperor Nicholas upon his accession to the throne of Russia put up at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday, and left by the French mail to-day for Europe.

A CROWD of "drunks," rogues and vagabonds, belligerent carpenter and boiler-makers, etc., were either fined or sent to prison by Capt. Hastings at the Police Court this morning for committing various minor offences which are not of sufficient public interest to be recapitulated in cold type.

THE Ocean Co.'s steamer *Memnon* was the scene of unusual activity this morning owing to the departure of 400 coolies being shipped for the plantations in British North Borneo. This is the largest batch of coolies forwarded from Hongkong to Borneo since the disastrous collapse of about four years ago.

TALMAZE, the well known American religious speaker was lecturing at Aberdeen, some 17 years ago. A calico steamer outside the local hall announced the fact as follows:—

A Lecture by the great Dr. Talmaze:
"The world is what it is to all!"
Admission—4s., 3s., 2s., and 1s.

JAMES E. Nadeau, seaman, who makes the twelfth man charged at the instance of Capt. Whitmore, of the American ship *Berlin*, at the Police Court within the last week, was sentenced to eight weeks' imprisonment by Mr. Hastings this morning for refusing duty, etc., and is under the same condition as his chums, who were similarly treated the other day.

When we went to press this evening the Wing Lok Street murder case was still dragging its weary length through the Criminal Sessions, and there was little hope of the Jury, who looked completely worn out and heavily sick of the whole business, retiring to consider their verdict until about midnight, owing to the vigorous and untiring efforts of the Counsel for the defence to get their clients off Scot-free.

THE Sydney Bulletin pleasantly suggests that the recent death, "from a broken heart" of an Australian ex-police official, may have been attributable—as most people suppose—to a love-affair, but then it may have been caused by the discovery that a diamond stamper (received one to) which he had not dared to show or realize on since he got it, seven years ago, was paste, and very poor paste at that.

A JAPAN contemporary prints in all seriousness that Mr. T. Cowen, the *China Snail's* Comic War Correspondent, intends to make his way from Hongkong to the scene of fighting in the neighborhood of Nanchang, and will probably have to travel overland from the Yalu river. Very like an alligator. We should really like to have a back view of our local "German Anarchist" basking in a fiery and untamed "riches" overland from the Yalu to Nanchang at this cheerful season of the year.

The Ichang correspondent of the Shanghai Mercury writes under date the 20th ult.:—The steamer *Ving* arrived here on the 6th inst., having been ten days on the way from Hankow. She was on shore on Sunday Island for a few days, but came off without any damage, and when she arrived at Shanghai her boilers sprung a leak, which her engineer, Mr. McKenzie, managed to repair roughly. In consequence of this our mails and provisions have been much delayed. It is rumored that Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. are getting another steamer ready for the Hankow-Ichang line. Snow was seen on the surrounding hills here on the 6th inst., which is rather early, as Ichang is noted for its mild winters. The disbanded soldiers who murdered a woman and her child in the City last month have not yet been caught. It is said that they were seen at Shanghai, but where allowed to pass through by bribing the petty officials at that place.—Water mark—8 7 in; weather dry and clearing.

At a regular meeting of United Service Lodge last night Bro. T. Spafford was duly installed as W.M., and afterwards invested the following officers for the ensuing year:—

1 P.M. Wor. Bro. H. J. Watson.
S.W. G. Moffat.
J.W. H. A. E. Helle.
Treasurer F. Howell.
Secretary Wor. C. W. Duggan.
Chaplain St. Aid. Baylis.
Organist G. A. E. Chaudet.
S.D. G. Gordon.
J.D. W. H. E. Smith.
D.C. J. R. Craik.
Steward A. W. Weston.
S.G. F. D. Addyman.
Tyler J. Maxwell.

A banquet was afterwards held, at which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly responded.

THE "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" ASHORE.

It was rumored in shipping circles to-day that the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, Captain J. T. Smith, which was timed to arrive here to-morrow from San Francisco via Yokohama and Nagasaki, was badly ashore off the south coast of Japan. At first the report gained but slight credence, but we regret, however, to find upon inquiry at the Pacific Mail Co.'s office, that the rumours were well founded, for the Agent courteously informed our reporter that the *City of Rio* was ashore between Van Diemen's Straits and Nagasaki on the 6th instant, presumably in a fog, and that assistance has been sent to her from Nagasaki. The Captain of the *Oceanic*, which left Hongkong bound for Nagasaki to-day, has been instructed to look out for the *City of Rio* and render her any assistance in his power.

The American mails will probably be sent on from Nagasaki, and may be expected to arrive here in a day or two.
Lloyd's Register gives the following particulars of the *City of Rio de Janeiro*:—The *City of Rio de Janeiro* was built in 1878 by J. Roach & Son at Chester, Pa. She has a gross tonnage of 3,548 tons, and is 344 feet in length, 38 feet in breadth, and 28.6 feet in depth.

BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The eighth half-yearly meeting of the British Mercantile Marine Officers' Association was held last night. The President of the Association, Captain A. Tillett (Marine Superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company) presided, and there were also present Captains B. Branch (Hon. Treasurer), H. C. A. Harris, S. MacIsaac, J. C. Cheetham, Messrs J. Calder, R. McGeorge, S. Nicholson, J. W. Chambers, T. Barwell, J. Thomas, Geo. Williams (Secretary) and others.

The Secretary opened the proceedings by reading the report for the last half-year, from which we take the following excerpts:—"During the past six months there have been 14 resignations (mostly bad paying members), one member was removed by death and there were 10 new members and 5 nominations. The total membership is as follows:—Ordinary, 120; annual, 3; visiting, 4."

"At the adjourned fourth Annual Meeting, held on the 20th August, 1894, a Managing Committee of 40 members was formed; and at a committee meeting held on 7th September, 5 members were elected as a Bar Committee. Since the aforementioned Committee was formed the condition of the Association has vastly improved; rowdy members have been expelled, non-members have been ejected from the Rooms, and improper conduct in the Rooms has been suppressed. A lease of the Rooms has been taken for one year at \$200 per month, owing to Messrs. Laus, Wegner & Co., having leased the whole premises, and giving up the alternative of leasing the rooms from them at the above mentioned rent or quit the premises. No other rooms being suitable for the Association, it was resolved at a committee meeting to take out a lease for the rooms we at present occupy. A very enjoyable and successful Smoking Concert was given at the Rooms on the 16th November; over 100 persons were present; all kinds of refreshments were free, and a balance of \$18 was left from the 'Smoker's' fund. Financially we are in a much better position than we have been for the last six months, as it will be observed by the Balance Sheet that we have a credit of \$344 after clearing our liabilities. On the 1st September our liabilities amounted to \$407 with only \$54 cash in hand, so it is very obvious that we are again on the surface. Evidently, members are paying up better than formerly, and we have now 170 good paying members against 80 in August last."

"Our Honorary President, Captain A. Tillett, has expressed his intention of resigning the Presidency at this Meeting, and it has been proposed by most of the members that Captain Harris of the Douglas Co's steamer *Memnon* should succeed him, providing Captain Harris is agreeable to accept the position."

Captain B. Branch presented a statement of accounts which showed satisfactory progress made by the Association and a sound financial status. He urged the members to be punctual in the payment of subscriptions and other dues, and, amidst applause, congratulated the Secretary, Mr. Geo. Williams, on the result of his labours and the attention he had given to the affairs of the Association.

Mr. Calder followed in a lengthy and earnest address, in which he expressed the hope that the Association would long be maintained as a credit to the British seafaring community.

Captain H. C. A. Harris was elected President by the unanimous vote of the meeting. In acknowledging the compliment he referred to the labours of the Secretary who had performed his duties very satisfactorily.

A cordial vote of thanks to Captain Tillett, the retiring President, and a similar compliment to Captain Branch for his services as Treasurer, concluded the business of the meeting.

THE MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF GUNNER JACOBS, R. A.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

At the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. H. E. Wedehouse, Coroner, opened an inquest into the circumstances attending the death of Frederick Charles Jacobs, gunner of the Royal Artillery, whose body was found floating in Hongkong harbour, near Kowloon Island, on the 2nd inst.

Alexander Campbell, a constable of the Water Police, stated that at 7 a.m. on the 2nd instant he found the body of deceased floating in the harbour about a hundred yards off Kowloon Island. It was a good deal decomposed, and was dressed in Royal Artillery uniform. He took it to Wellington Barracks the next day.

Sergeant John Robert Day, R.A., said he saw a body at Wellington Barracks' mortuary, and identified it as that of Gunner Jacobs. Deceased was a single man, about thirty years of age, a native of the Isle of Wight, and he came to Hongkong attached to the 25th Company, Southern Division, in the transport *Yamato*, which arrived here on the 27th November last.

Thomas Cooper, bombardier of the Royal Artillery, stated that he saw deceased at St. George's Island at 4 p.m. on Christmas Day, when he had gone to visit some friends. At 4.30 p.m. deceased was in his barracks room, where witness left him, and had not seen him since. Jacobs appeared to be quite sober, and was about to return to his barracks.

Gunner T. F. Fitch, R.A., knew Jacobs, who was stationed with him at North Barracks. He last saw him alive about 4.30 a.m. on the 27th December in the barracks at St. George's Island, where the last witness was also present. Jacobs was quite sober, and the only means of getting back to North Barracks was by a small dinghy, which he would have to row himself. Witness got back to the Commissariat Store at 4.30 p.m. by launch, which Jacobs refused to come by, because he was improperly dressed, being attired in a suit of white clothing, with white waistcoat and a grey shirt.

At this point the inquiry was adjourned until 11 a.m. to-morrow.

THE SUNDAY CARGO WORKING ORDINANCE.

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

BANKS.	
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.	113 per cent. sales and buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8.00.	paid up—\$20, sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, nominal.	
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—(Founders' shares)—\$5, buyers.	
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—(Founders' shares)—\$5, buyers.	
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. coupon.	
MARINE INSURANCES.	
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$127 per share, buyers.	
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$60 per share, buyers.	
North China Insurance—Tls. 2024 per share, buyers.	
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$155 per share, buyers.	
Yankee Insurance Association—\$80, buyers.	
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share, nominal.	
The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$24 per share, sellers.	
FIRE INSURANCES.	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$180 per share, sales and buyers.	
China Fire Insurance Company—\$76 per share, sales and buyers.	
The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., \$2 per share, sellers.	
SHIPPING.	
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$263 per share, sellers.	
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$66, sellers.	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—\$184, sellers.	
Douglas' Steamship Company—\$52, buyers.	
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—\$68 per share, nominal.	
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$2 per share, nominal.	
REFINERIES.	
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$141 per share, buyers.	
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$48, sellers.	
MINING.	
Panama Mining Co.—(Ordinary)—\$7 per share, sales and sellers.	
Panama Mining Co.—(Preference)—\$2 per share, sellers.	
The New Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$41 per share, buyers.	
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Southern Mining Co. Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$25 per share, sellers.	
The New Gold Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$25, sellers.	
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.	
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$2 per share, buyers.	
Grain Wharf and Co., Limited—\$16 per share, buyers.	
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$34 per share, sales and sellers.	
Wanchai Warehouse Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, sellers.	
HOTELS.	
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$9 per share, buyers.	
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$30, buyers.	
The Shamrock Hotel Co., Limited—nominal.	
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.	
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$18 per share, sellers.	
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$18 per share, sellers.	
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$17 per share, sellers.	
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.—\$14 per share, sellers.	
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On demand 187 1/2

ON SHANGHAI—BANK, T. T.

Bank, T. T. Private, 30 days' sight 73

SOVEREIGNS (BANK'S BUYING RATE).

Silver (per oz.) 27 7/16

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The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Mailbourg*, with the outward French mail, left Singapore on the 4th instant at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on the 11th.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

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THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s steamer *Darmstadt*, with the outward German mail, left Colombo on the evening of the 5th instant, and may be expected here on the 17th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco on the 13th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 4th instant at daylight, and may be expected here on the 10th.

THE P. M. S. S. CO.'S STEAMER CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO.

with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 3rd instant.

FARMERS—ARRIVED.

For *Tenue*, from Singapore—Mr. Nishida, and 350 Chinese.

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